S. RES. 217

Designating August 13, 2005, as "National Marina Day".

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

July 27, 2005

Mrs. Murray (for herself and Ms. Cantwell) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas the people of the United States value highly recreational time and the ability to access the waterways of the United States, one of the country's greatest natural resources;
- Whereas in 1928, the National Association of Engine and Boat Manufacturers first used the word "marina" to describe a recreational boating facility;
- Whereas the United States is home to more than 12,000 marinas that contribute substantially to local communities by providing safe and reliable gateways to boating;
- Whereas the marinas of the United States serve as stewards of the environment and actively seek to protect surrounding waterways for the enjoyment of this generation and generations to come;

Whereas the marinas of the United States provide communities and visitors with a place where friends and families, united by a passion for the water, can come together for recreation, rest, and relaxation; and

Whereas the Association of Marina Industries has designated August 13, 2005 as "National Marina Day" to increase awareness among citizens, policymakers, and elected officials about the many contributions that marinas make to communities: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That the Senate—

- (1) designates August 13, 2005 as "National
 Marina Day";
- 4 (2) encourages the people of the United States 5 to observe "National Marina Day" with appropriate 6 programs and activities; and
 - (3) urges the marinas of the United States to continue to provide environmentally friendly gateways to boating for the people of the United States.

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